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SUBJECT: MITI PETROLEUM MISSION TO CHINA

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1. MITI ENERGY AGENCY DIRECTOR OF PETROLEUM PLANNING DIVISION OZU OUTLINED TO EMBOFFS FEBRUARY 5 RESULTS OF MITI OIL MISSION TO PRC JANUARY 22-30 (REFTEL). PURPOSE OF VISIT WAS TO SOUND OUT CHINESE ON POSSIBILITY OF CONCLUDING LONG-TERM AGREEMENT ON SUPPLY OF OIL UTILIZKNG SOME FORM OF GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT ARRNGEMENT. OZU SAID OFFICIAL APPOACH TO CHINESE WAS PART OF BASIC STRATEGY TO SEEK TO DIVERSIFY SOURCES OF PETROLEUM SUPPLY, AND INCIATED CHINA OIL TRADE TOO IMPORTANT TO BE LEFT SOLELY TO JAPANESE UNCLASSIFIED

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PETROLEUM INDUSTRY.

2. JAPANESE DID NOT PUT FORWARD SPECIFIC PROPOSAL,
AND CHINESE MADE NO OFMRAL RESPONSE, BUT OZU THOUGHT
IT VERY LIKELY CHINESE WOULD ACCEPT JAPANESE INVITATION
TO SEND DELEGATION TO TOKYO LATER THIS SPRING FOR
DETAILED TALKS. IN RESPONSE TO EMBOFFS' QUESTIONS
AS TO WHAT CHINESE WOULD SEE IN SUCH AN ARRANGEMENT,
OZU SAID HE WAS CONVINCED CHINESE WOULD NEVER AGREE
TO ANNY ARRANGEMENT WHICH COULD BE INTERPRETED AS
ACCEPTING AID, BUT WAS CONFIDENT CHINESE WOULD SEE
STABILITY IN OIL RELATIONS OVER LONG TERM IN COMMON
INTEREST OF BOTH COUNTRIES.
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